SPONSOR: Newman

Currently, physicians performing or inducing an abortion in Missouri must have clinical privileges at a hospital which offers obstetrical or gynecological care located within 30 miles of the location where the abortion is performed or induced. This bill repeals that requirement.

The bill removes "any establishment operated for the purpose of performing or inducing any second or third trimester abortions or five or more first trimester abortions per month" from the definition of an ambulatory surgical center and specifically excludes facilities that are operated primarily for the purpose of providing abortions.

This bill is similar to SB 71 (2017).